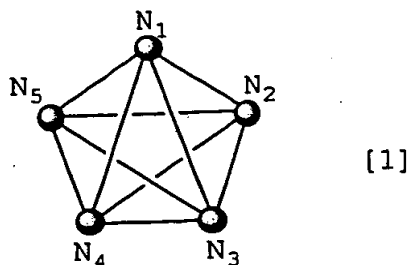


## ABSTRACT

A compound or a salt thereof having the atom corresponding to  $N_3$  and the two or more atoms selected from  $N_1$ ,  $N_2$ ,  $N_4$  and  $N_5$ , said atoms constitute the pharmacophore represented by the following formula:



and inhibits the activity of transcription factor AP-1 and is useful as an agent for preventing and treating the diseases into which over expression of AP-1 participates and as an AP-1 inhibitor.

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